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# LIST OF ACRONYMS /ABBREVIATION

LTD Limited

UCDA Uganda Coffee Development Alliance

H.E.P Education & Training

E.g. Example

F/O Field officer

I.T Internship

T/C Town council

M&E Monitoring and evaluation

ABi Trust Agribusiness Initiative Trust

i.e. That is to say

Mr. Mister

Mrs. Miss

GOU Government of Uganda

GAPS Good Agricultural Practices

BAUC Busitema university Arapai campus

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### ABTRACT/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This field attachment was carried out at Kawacom Uganda Limited for a period of two months and two weeks [10wks] which started on 28th feb 2022 to 6th may 2022 in different sections and departments to enhance knowledge and skills in general agriculture.

The objectives of the industrial attachment was to expose the students and enable them to put into practice knowledge acquired from classroom and acquaint students with practical knowledge for easy service delivery to farmers.

During the attachment, different activities were conducted in the different departments i.e administration work, sections of the farm such as Kawacom coffee demonstration farm, where activities such as pruning, weeding, coffee nursery operation and stumping of coffee were done.

Also office documentation inform of data entry into excel, compiling coffee purchase receipts and filling coffee buying records for 2021 were done.

The organization also organized field work inform of internal inspection of coffee and coffee farmers, profiling and registration of pulper machine owners, registration and profiling of coffee nurseries and operators, distribution of fertilizers.

The following are some of the key activities carried out during the period, internal inspection of coffee and coffee farmers, registration and inspection of coffee nurseries, registration of pulper coffee machine owners, distribution of coffee seedlings and fertilizers, teaching farmers on (GAPS) Good Agricultural Practices such as; weeding, coffee pruning, coffee stumping, mulching and soil erosion control such as trench digging and intercropping. Under office documentation, I was able to enter data into excel, compile the different coffee purchase receipts and filling the coffee buying record books for 2021, and I was able to understand the different coffee purchase receipts used by Kawacom Uganda Limited such as purchment cherries receipt, organic cherries receipt and Rainforest Alliance (RA). In Kawacom demonstration garden I was able to learn how to stump coffee, carry out weeding, mulching, water coffee seedlings in the nursery bed using both pipes and watering can, and also carry out pruning of coffee using a pruning saw. During the internship period, I was able to compare/ use the knowledge I got in class to acquire practical aspects of it such as, leadership skills and communication skills and I was able to gain confidence associating with people and coffee farmers. The following are some of the challenges faced during the attachment period which included; Long working hours ,Harsh climatic conditions such as heavy rainfall during field inspection, language barrier, delayed assessment, unfulfilled expectations like, value addition in coffee inform of coffee processing.

In conclusion, the training was successfully done because it was actively and lively done with the interactions with the field supervisor, agronomist, other field officers, and other section officers like the nursery operators.

## CHAPTER ONE

#### 1.0 Introduction

Chapter one consists of the organization's name ,geographical location, how the organization positions itself in the industries, size(number of employees), It also gives information on the objectives of Kawacom, vision, core values, sustainability journey and mission of Kawacom Uganda Limited and finally the organization structure.

## 1.1 The background of Kawakom Uganda Limited

In 1996, ECOM established its first operation in Africa - Kawacom Uganda Limited. Focusing initially on the export of natural Ugandan Robusta coffee, the office later expanded its services by incorporating new and innovative processing and export procedures into its daily obligations. The company has grown significantly since 1996, from a small company in rented premises, to a market leader, with processing units and buying stations throughout the country.

Kawacom Uganda Limited Head Office is located at Plot 2921 Block 111 Kampala Industrial Business Park Namanve and several satellite Offices in all major coffee producing regions of; Mt. Elgon, Sebei, West Nile, Central Albertine, Rwenzori, Ankole and Kigezi.

Kawacom is among the top 5 leading coffee Exporters in Uganda; with a 7%, Market Share of the total coffee exports from Uganda and one of top 3 leading Sesame Exporters.

The company has been at the forefront in promoting sustainable coffee development, processing and marketing since year 2000 and is the leading exporter of certified/sustainable coffees in Uganda. Total workforce strength; 271 Permanent employees, 33 Semi Permanent and over 1,000 Temporary workers.

Processing infrastructure; 3 Dry mills with a combined processing capacity of 37MT/Hour of green coffee and 2 Central Wet mills with a combined processing capacity of 28MT/Hour of red cherry.